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Annual Meeting Junior W. A.

The annual meeting of the Junior W. A. was held at the Rectory Monday last. Reports were received and adopted. The financial report showing a very excellent year, and good work done by the girls under the superintendent, Mrs. A. D. Currie, have done splendid work.

All the officers were re-elected, consisting of: Superintendent, Mrs. A. D. Currie, President, Miss Irene Sefton; Secretary, Miss Edna Tredaway; Treasurer, Miss June Patmore.

After the business was over, the girls enjoyed two hours of games, and, assisted by the officers, Mrs. Currie provided supper.

Peewee Pucksters Beat Carstairs

Saturday afternoon last was a big day for the Peewee hockey players, when they beat the Carstairs Peewees to the tune of a 3-1 score at the local arena. Although there was water on the ice, a nice game was played, with Earl Hopper bringing in 2 goals, while Jack Fleming brought home the third.

Line-up

Warren Hall goal; George Fleming and Bill Amery, defence; Earl Hopper, Jack Fleming, James Stevens, Clarke McMillan, Cameron Carmichael.

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Enthusiastic Workers Take Role of Local Fire-Fighting Men

IMPROVEMENTS

New Fire Chief Seeks Action

BRIGADE MEETS

The first fire brigade meeting since March 11, 1935, was held in the local fire hall on Thursday last, January 5th, when, not many, but a few stalwarts of the village of Crossfield gathered to form a new fire brigade, create new interests in the affairs of our fair little town, and thus do all possible to prevent further outbreaks of fire, and when they do, be prepared help to them.

Mayor Wood, in the chair, stepped right into action and a fire chief was elected. N. G. Tweedale, who was nominated, did not refuse, and took the chair, after which W. Walker was elected for second fire chief.

Action was evident, and in a short time the following firemen were elected:

W. E. Spivey and H. A. Bannister, operators of engine No. 1; J. Wilcox and A. D. Stevens, hose men for No. 1; W. J. Wood and D. W. Carmichael, operators of engine No. 2; M. N. Jones and F. Collins, hose men for No. 2. J. Belshaw was appointed to look after supplies and W. Curstener and G. E. Wall were appointed salvage men.

The engines have already been looked after, and, with minor adjusting, will be in tip-top shape to go to fire.

Entertainment will be sponsored by the brigade for the purpose of raising funds for necessary equipment, of which the village has agreed to pay part, so as to be well prepared for any fire that might break out in the future. W. Walker and H. A. Bannister were appointed a committee to look after and arrange entertainments, which will be sponsored in the very near future. Look forward to something real and big. Your assistance and co-operation is solicited. We are going to have something in Crossfield, but we must continue to boost for it and encourage those at the head to carry on, even though circumstances tend to make us feel there is no use.

The firemen met in the fire hall Wednesday afternoon, the engines were checked over and a demonstration given by W. E. Spivey, which all were interested.

It was definitely arranged to have the dance on Friday, February 3rd. The proceeds of the dance will be used for the purchasing of a motor vehicle on which to mount the present chemical engines, and the village has agreed to pay a part of the vehicle.

Full entertainment arrangements were placed in the hands of the appointed committee, and the members are working hard to provide everything to make it a grand event, and, our village will be bettered at the same time.

A suit is being raffled, for which E. M. Tweedale is selling tickets, and is already on his rounds. Help the fire brigade, and get a chance on the suit as well.

We have some action, and Fire Chief Tweedale is going strong. Let us encourage him and have some real protection.

Legion Annual Smoker.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Legion B.E.S.L. was held in the Masonic hall, Wednesday,

Local Fire Brigade

Sponsors Big Dance

At a meeting held Wednesday afternoon, it was arranged by the new fire men to sponsor a grand dance, to be held in the U.F.A. hall on Friday, February 3rd, and lunch will be provided.

The members of the entertainment committee are arranging for a special number of prizes, but, at the time of going to press we were unable to find out the last decision, only that tickets for these are already on sale, waiting to be purchased.

LET'S GO

Regular Monthly Meeting Crossfield School Board

The regular monthly meeting of the school board was held in the fire hall Monday evening.

Mr. J. P. Metheral was elected delegate to attend the Alberta School Trustees' Convention, which is being held at Edmonton this week Thursday and Friday.

The balance of the meeting was taken up with routine business.

Crossfield Oddfellows Install 1939 Officers

On January 4th, the following officers of the Crossfield Lodge, No. 42, were installed by Bro. Fox, D.D.G.M., in a very able manner: N. G. Bro. A. Barnack; V.G., Bro. J. Stamp; Rec.-Sec., Bro. C. Thompson; Fin.-Sec., Bro. C. Fox; Treas., Bro. J. Reeves.

Crossfield Lodge No. 42 also entertained visiting Brothers from Sunny Slope.

Crossfield Juveniles Form Midget Hockey

At a meeting held Monday evening, January 9th, a number of boys gathered to form a hockey club with those 12 years of age and under.

A pledge was signed signifying their interest in the club and that they would adhere to the rules to keep the right spirit in all the games played.

The following signed up for the season:

Donnie Stevens, Norman Patmore, Cameron Carmichael, Arthur Berge, Ernest Butler, Gordon Wood, Gerald Baker, Douglas Hoover, Reggie Belslaw, Mervin Patmore.

Suggested names for the club were:

Bouncers, Rosebud Hornets, Chinooks, Bombers, Flyers, Flashes.

After a discussion, the name "Flyers" was enthusiastically selected.

The club appointed Russell James as manager; Captain, Donnie Stevens; Sec.-Treas., Arthur Berge.

In order to raise funds the boys will raffle a radio mat, which can be seen in the window of Steve's store.

Buy your tickets, at 10c or 3 for 25c, and help these boys who are endeavouring to look into and join up with league hockey in the years to come. Your support is solicited for these future "Allen" cup contenders.

It is expected that a schedule will be drawn up in the near future, as other neighbouring towns have juvenile hockey teams and a great deal of sport and interest can be provided by these youngsters. Watch these columns for further and more particulars.

January 11th, and was addressed by Com. Alex Walker, President Alberta Command.

(More particulars next week.)

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Mixed Jam, 4-lb. tins 45c

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Peas, Quaker size 5, 2 tins 23c

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New Year's Dance Very Successful

Ladies Curling Club Raffling Bed Throw

The New Year's dance which was held on Friday, December 30th, last, was a very successful event, and adds considerably to the School Fair Association funds.

All who attended had a good time, and, at the same time, assisting an organization that aids to the education and entertainment of the young people of the agricultural field.

Innisfail at Crossfield Friday, January 6th.

Although the local high school hockey lost to Innisfail Friday evening last, in the second league schedule game of the season, a good brand of hockey was viewed. Goals were scored by E. Hopper, A. Baker, Bill Amery.

Line up

Ross Laut, Bill Amery, Harold Hunt, Earl Hopper, Jack Fleming, John Carmichael, Bill Harrison, George Fleming, Don O'Neal, Arthur Baker.

The third schedule game was played at Bowden, Tuesday evening.

Business goes where it is invited and stays where it is made welcome.



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EXPECT TOURIST SEASON WILL BE EARLIER IN 1939

Montreal.—The visit of the King and Queen to Canada in May will start Canada's 1939 tourist season six to eight weeks earlier than usual, travel executives here said.

Tendancy of tourists to stay on this side of the Atlantic will combine with the visit of Their Majesties to stimulate travel throughout Canada, tourist officials said, but they are undecided whether the New York world's fair will be a serious deterrent to Canada's holiday visitors.

Special trains for the New York fair are being routed through Canada from Chicago and other western United States points as an added inducement for fair visitors. Campbell Carroll, Quebec tourist bureau publicity director, said this development would bring thousands of travellers to Canada and result in many of them remaining here for part of their holidays.

Canada's attractions will be advertised at the New York fair. "Visitors at the fair will still want a holiday," suggested Carroll. "They won't consider the fair a holiday."

"Many New Yorkers will come here during the fair. They'll want to get as far away from it as possible because of the outside world there. And we hope to convince those who travelled long distances to the fair that they should come a little farther and visit Canada. Many of them will be so fed up with the fair after a couple of days they'll want something as different as possible."

The royal visit will undoubtedly start the tourist season much earlier this year than the normal mid-July, bringing to the Dominion visitors from other parts of the Empire and from other parts of this continent, said Vernon G. Card, chairman of the executive committee of the Canadian Association of Tourist and Publicity Bureaus.

Bookings at Quebec City hotels are already "quite heavy" by persons indicating they will be present when the king and queen arrive in Canada, Carroll said.

The tourist industry in North America probably will continue to be influenced favorably in 1939 by the disinclination of travellers to go to Europe, Colin A. Gravener of the Mount Royal hotel said.

Quebec province has distributed a 1,000-foot scenic film photographed in color during a 2,300-mile journey through the province to show its attractions to other countries. The film will be shown in 5,000 theatres in United States during the next year and additional prints have been requested for showing in Great Britain and France.

Vigilance Needed

Gives Warning Against The Spread Of Militaristic Systems

Lima, Peru.—State Secretary Cornell Hull warned American republics they may have to exert the "utmost vigilance" to resist the spread to this hemisphere of militaristic systems which threaten to ruin the world.

"We know that there has been great bitterness between nations," Hull said in his prepared address. "We know that in much of the world there is in any form of agreement has completed its course. We know that Hitler has stated it would have its way, and that it would recognize no equal except might." Such is the world we may have to deal with.

"Our task must be cast in the opposite direction. We choose, instead, to strengthen the basis and principles of peaceful relations, order and equality among ourselves in the midst of this world."

He said the Pan-American method was not well understood outside, "especially by those who feel they must form their judgment instantaneously." He added:

"The very essence of our process is the quiet exchange of views among equals."

Petition To The King

London.—The king has obtained a hearing with labor department heads and the prime minister, who also asked him to use his prerogative to obtain an increase in unemployment benefits during the winter months of half a crown (60 cents) weekly.

Montana Earthquake

Helena, Mont.—A three-second earthquake was felt here at 8:35 p.m. Dec. 28. The federal weather bureau reported it was felt throughout the city and as far as the smelter town of East Helena, six miles away. No damage was reported.

World Trade War

Reich Pitting Its Strength Against Democratic Countries

Berlin.—A world trade war, with the Nazi reich everywhere pitting its economic methods and propaganda machinery against the influence of the pound sterling and the dollar, was forecast for 1939 in informed circles.

While a high official in the economics ministry reaffirmed Germany's determination to strengthen its economic hold on southeastern Europe, the press warned Germany would give the United States serious competition in South America.

At the same time Berlin's intention of extending its dealings in the Far East was evidenced by the animosity with which high Nazi quarters commented on Anglo-American credit grants to China.

Rudolf Brinkman, reich secretary in the economics ministry, touched incidentally the South American situation in an article in the annual review of the Berlin chamber of commerce. He charged efforts were being made to curb German-South American relations, but expressed conviction the Latin Americans would be "realistic enough" to resist this campaign.

The main body of his article was devoted to an outline of the manner in which the reich intends to create a strong economic axis stretching from the North Sea to the Black Sea. Germany will continue to grant preferential tariffs to the countries of southeastern Europe for farm produce and will pay higher prices than those in effect in world markets, he wrote.

It will further industrialization of the continent and obtain from their mineral wealth, he said, while trying to increase effectiveness of various economic concessions and seeking long-term trade treaties. The Frankfurter Zeitung interpreted Anglo-American trade and political moves as aimed at eliminating Germany from world commerce and warned "this method is not of a nature calculated to lead to German concessions" in the matter of transfers of Jewish capital or other economic arrangements.

Jap Bombers Improve

Have Developed Better Technique Through Much Practice

Shanghai.—Japanese aviators have developed from among the world's worst to among the best bombers through daily practice during 18 months of the Chinese-Japanese war, neutral observers say.

Military observers say that in addition to improving their marksmanship and technique through continual practice on "live targets," Japanese have:

1. Developed a greatly-improved bomb sight;

2. Improved plane construction to provide greater maneuverability and increase the speed of their engines;

3. Improved the manufacture of their aerial bombs.

For years foreign airmen had characterized the Japanese as poor pilots, and their performance during the Shanghai fighting in the fall of 1937 tended to confirm that opinion. At Hankow, which fell on Oct. 26, 1938, Japanese showed they had improved their bombing by 75 per cent. Repeatedly they struck at military objectives with high accuracy with great results.

The planes attacked the port at 10:30 and again at 12:30 p.m. Anti-aircraft batteries fired steadily but the raiders dropped more than 50 bombs.

One sank the Stancroft which was involved last summer in charges of gun-running for the Spanish government. Captain Stanley Scott, master of the freighter, was brought to trial at the time in Gibraltar, but the supreme court there ruled it had no jurisdiction over the Stancroft's cargo. There were no British casualties.

Sink British Ship

Three Other British Freighters Hit During Raid On Barcelona

Barcelona.—The 1,407-ton Stancroft was sunk and three other British freighters hit while en route to Spain. The other ships were the Newsham, Lake Willett and Flante.

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Shanghai Robbery

Shanghai.—Fifteen foreign men and women were robbed of money and jewels in the biggest holdup in the Shanghai area in years. Five Chinese armed with pistols halted seven automobiles returning to the city from the American Country Club and robbed the occupants

Explorer Loses Life

Young Britisher Is Drowned In Waters Of Fox Channel

Churchill, Man.—Reynold Bray, young British explorer, was drowned last September and his companion, Patrick Baird escaped with a similar fate when their small boat was crushed in the ice in Fox Channel near Igloolik, 200 miles within the Arctic circle, according to word received from Repulse Bay recently.

Baird, who spent two years in the north, the British-Canadian Arctic expedition, came out in 1937. He is a nephew of Lord Tweedsmuir, governor-general of Canada. He was returning north when the mishap occurred.

Word of the Arctic tragedy was brought to Repulse Bay by an Eskimo from Igloolik, 800 miles north of Churchill, northern Manitoba seaport. Baird according to the Eskimo's story, scrambled from the icy waters and made his way overland to Igloolik where he and his companion had intended to establish a main base for winter exploration.

Speaking in Boston recently, Premier A. A. Dyer of New Brunswick lauded the recent trade treaty between Great Britain, United States and Canada. He proposed that increased trade, goodwill and understanding will result from the new treaty.

LAUDS TRADE TREATY



China Holds Out

Will Not Capitulate, Says General Chiang Kai-Shek

Chungking.—"China will not capitulate!" General Chiang Kai-Shek said before the Kuomintang (government party) assembly in a declaration of determined resistance.

Chiang's fatigued rejected the peace plan outlined a few days ago by Premier Fumimaro Konoye of Japan which called for collaboration of Japan, China and Manchukuo in an anti-Communist pact, among other provisions.

Chiang, whose speech indicated China's intention is to abolish extra-territorial rights, asserted:

"Japan's program, under the anti-Communist heading, is precisely the same one we could not accept before hostilities began. We would not have undertaken this defensive struggle, with its enormous sufferings, if we would accept Japan's demands in northern China and establishment of a special zone in Inner Mongolia."

"Japan demands the right to live and conduct commerce in the interior of China for her nationals," Chiang observed. "After abolition of extra-territoriality, we will be ready to discuss such rights for all nations except Japan, because the actions of the Japanese government have provoked profound and lasting resentment among the Chinese masses."

Zona Gale Dies

Well-Known Writer Was Pulitzer Prize Winner In 1921

Chicago.—Zona Gale, the novelist, best known for her portrayals of life in small mid-western United States towns, died in hospital here. She was 65. The Portage, Wis., author, wife of W. L. Breese, a manufacturer, died pneumonia. "Miss Lu" Bell, who won the Pulitzer prize in 1921, which was her best known work, had been writing on a small town life. Hence she lived at Portage, with a population of about 6,000. She was the "first citizen" of the town, considered a "typical" city of the middle west.

ANALYSIS MADE OF EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS HERE

Detroit.—Half of Canada's wage earners receive 80 per cent of the national wage bill, and the low wage class shows the heaviest unemployment, R. H. Coats, Dominion statistician, told the American Statistical Association here.

Mr. Coats delivered his presidential address at the centennial banquet of the organization, and recalled that in its 100 years of the association's existence this year marked full operation of the plan would double the number of accredited United States pilots official said.

Chinese Army Casualties

Over 2,000,000 Up To November 30

And 800,000 More Killed

Tobolsk, Chinese army casualties totaling more than 2,000,000, with 823,300 soldiers killed, were reported in a communiqué issued by Imperial headquarters to summarize results of the first 17 months of the Sino-Japanese conflict, up to Nov. 30. It added that 47,133 Japanese soldiers have been killed.

It claimed the Japanese have occupied 47 per cent of China proper.

The population was placed at 170,000,000 or 68 per cent of the total population of China.

CANADIAN INDIAN THRILLS LONDONERS



Chief Poking Fire, a full-blooded Canadian Indian, who is at present in London taking part in the Winter Cavalcade, is attracting a good deal of attention in the British Capital. Chief Poking Fire, seen above, in his finery, specializes in hurdle jumping on snowshoes.

SAY FRANCE WILL NOT CEDER ANY TERRAIN TO ITALY

Paris.—A person close to the government said France is willing to grant some colonial concessions to Italy to keep the peace of Europe but without actually yielding any land.

After putting up a strong military front to discourage Fascist ambitions for territorial expansion at expense of the French empire, Premier Daladier's government was described as "ready to open diplomatic negotiations to appease the Italian hunger."

Two French warships and Senegalese troops were en route to Djibouti on the heels of rumors—denied in Rome—of an Italian threat to French Somaliland.

Among possible subjects for negotiations were a new statute for Italians in Tunisia, further concessions on the Addis Ababa-Djibouti railway and a voice in direction of the Suez canal.

French diplomats insisted Frenchmen's rights must be settled by direct negotiations between Rome and Paris rather than through London and Berlin or any four-power conference like the Munich assembly which dismembered Czechoslovakia.

To Encourage Trade

Rumor That Government May Make Reduction In Sales Tax

Ottawa.—Businessmen, apparently considering forming a committee of financial circles to whom the government's budget is presented to the coming session of parliament, in addition to tariff reductions and removal of the special three per cent excise tax on a long list of items, the much-complained-of eight per cent sales tax may be reduced to six per cent. Weight is lent to this report by the fact that the whole drive of the government at present is to encourage trade in every possible way. The sales tax has always been regarded as one of the greatest obstacles to trade.

According to these reports a committee will be established by bringing in the budget early in February not more than a month after the house assembles on Jan. 12.

Was War Commander

Brigadier-General Hugh Dyer Dies At His Home In Manitoba

Minnedosa, Man.—Brigadier-General Hugh M. Dyer, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., died Sunday morning in his home during the Great War, died after a two weeks illness. A prominent agriculturist, he was 79.

Born in County Dublin, Ireland, he was educated at the Royal Naval school, New Cross, London, and came to Canada in 1881, settling in this district 50 miles north of Brandon. When the Great War broke out he went overseas as second in command of the 6th Battalion with the rank of major. He was twice wounded and in 1917 was made brigadier-commander of the 7th Infantry battalion. Near the close of the war he commanded Canadian troops in the Dardanelles area of England.

He is survived by four sons, three here and Harry in British Columbia.

To Visit U.S.

Prime Minister De Valera Of Eire Will Open Irish Exhibit At Fair

Washington.—Prime Minister De Valera of Eire, who accepted President Roosevelt's invitation to be an overnight guest at the White House next Monday, will go on to New York Monday to open the Irish exhibit at the fair.

He later will visit several cities during a four-week stay in the United States.

Legation attaches said they knew of no political significance in the visit, and that it had been contemplated since 1934.

Chaos In Nanking

Reported District Occupied By Japanese Has Been Plundered

Shanghai.—M. S. Bates, professor of history in Nanking University, reported that "armed chaos" existed in the Nanking region, which the Japanese occupied Dec. 13, 1937.

"During the past year the area has been thoroughly plundered with the process continuing; privation is common, life maintained on a diet of rice and sometimes nothing else," said Bates. "The Chinese who are still in the city are in a state of semi-starvation. American, said in a report to the international relief committee. Neutral observers considered the findings of political conditions in other Japanese-occupied regions.

National Health Council Scientists Help To Shape The Destiny Of The Dominion

Scientists of the National Research Council of Canada at Ottawa help shape the destiny of the Dominion with research into the steel industry, airplane construction, and development of rust-resistant wheat. Major-General A. G. L. McNaughton, council chairman, said in an address to the Vancouver Institute:

Development of a rust-resistant wheat represented a saving this year of more than \$35,000,000 to prairie farmers, he said.

In a single season we have had a return many times greater than total expenditures over nearly 20 years by the council, the department of agriculture, the western universities and the numerous other agencies which have co-operated.

Countless accidents and fatalities early in Canada's airplane history probably were averted by the testing division of the council whose X-ray examinations revealed flaws in 90 per cent of the castings.

Canada's steel industry faced ruin after the Great War because of high costs; but an important new industry established by the council saved it.

"In pre-war years our industry made extensive use of a refractory furnace which had its origin in Austria," General McNaughton said. "The war cut off those supplies and a native industry was able to develop on a basis of the high prices which could be obtained in the absence of a competitive product, but with the end of the Austrian supplies were again available and the local industry faced extinction."

The council then developed the new product which now supplies Canadian steel mills and is exported to the extent of \$1,000,000 annually.

"By 1936 there had been a five-fold increase in employment in the plants over 1932, and as the fuel used is Nova Scotian coal, and other materials are largely of native origin, the benefits to employment in Canada have been widely distributed and multiplied."

Hormones, vital elements in all living matter, were made synthetically for the first time in the chemistry division of the Ottawa council. Experiments now treating wheat with hormones seem to indicate greater yields and earlier maturity, General McNaughton said.

In one experimental field this year, wheat treated with synthetic hormones yielded 6.8 bushels an acre more than the "control" field, and ripened about a week earlier.

Research, much and more, research, is the great need of Canadian industry to-day. General McNaughton concluded: Research can cut costs, reduce waste, find new products and establish industries.

Twelve Years On Ships

Dear Mute Stowaway Is Closely
Guarded At Every Port

Twenty-four-year-old Leon Reilley, a deaf mute, seems doomed to sail the seas for life, for no country wants him. When he arrived at Wexford, Ireland, in the steamer *Essonne* he was held in custody and forced to leave on the vessel.

He had secretly boarded the *Essonne* at Havre and remained hidden in a lifeboat for 32 hours. When hunger forced him to appear he was put to work until the vessel reached Blyth, where he was declared an undesirable alien by the customs officials and ordered back to Havre.

At each port he is guarded by police until the vessel sails. He is said to have been wandering for 12 years. He remained on one ship for three years.

Bird Hotel De Luxe

Was Built For Private Garden Of
Minnesota Man

A most unusual and elaborate bird house to adorn a private garden is the striking shelter built by Richard H. Bergstrom of Miltona, Minnesota, for Phil J. Noonan, of Alexandria Minnesota. The martin house contains 3,000 pieces of lumber and 13,000 screws, nails and other materials. An entire winter and spring were required to construct the unit. Complete with special roofline, front porch, and milled railings, the unique bird house is one of the curiosities of Mr. Noonan's "Little Bit o' Heaven," a garden which in 1937 was visited by 80,000 tourists from all parts of the world.—Christian Science Monitor.

Average-sized tires on an automobile revolve 43,000 times an hour if the car is driven at 60-mile-an-hour speed.

A Dublin goat was arrested for eating posters off billboards.

Rerries Of A Writer

Opie Read At 86 Is Still In The
Literary Picture

Still full of mirth and humor, Opie Read, the last of a writing and palavering tribe which included Mark Twain, Eugene Field, John Billings and Artemus Ward, has turned 86.

Having no health trouble except a recent touch of "Rockefeller stomach" which he remedied by judicious dieting, the white-haired author is free to devote his time to reading, writing and conversation, prime pleasures of his crowded years.

Settling into a rocking chair snug enough for such a giant of a man, Opie Read tossed off, "Philosophy is the undershirt of truth," and added bitingly that a lot of Americans politicians were running around in a rather shocking state of intellectual delocation.

"I honestly think we should never be influenced by anyone who has not known the influence of great books," he asserted. "It is not that I would like to be ruled by merely bookish men, or that I mean men who have not read books, but the salt of the earth; but to my way of thinking profound leadership comes from the man who has in his mind the influence of noble literature."

Being better acquainted with himself at 86 Read said, "I haven't that old self-confidence and cockiness."

"I know now that self-assurance is not everything. Many an immortal thing has been written in tremulous timidity. Ignorance nearly always has had more confidence in itself than cultivated intelligence, and I suppose ignorance always befriends it," he said.

Here's the program the committee has mapped out:

The economic requirements of nations;

The influence of scientific and technical developments on the relative importance of different industries and on the total volume of employment;

The question of supplementing existing national research organizations whether in normal circumstances or at a time of emergency;

Co-ordination and subsequent public presentation of work;

Lines of research in social psychology;

Desirability of a consumers' research council;

The technique, use and distribution of light metals.

An Unusual Party

Michigan Miners Celebrate Their
Christmas 1,400 Feet Below

Work stopped at the Morris Iron Mine in Ishpeming, Mich., for half an hour while the men held an unusual Christmas party, 1,400 feet below ground.

The party has been an annual event at the mine, owned by the Inland Steel Company, since 1920. Charles Miron, mine captain who fathered the celebration, was invited to attend. He now is at the Penn Mine in Vulcan, Mich.

A Christmas tree, chopped from upper Michigan's woods, was the center of the subterranean festivities.

There was singing of carols, and "Genial Jim" Fowler, timber boss, garbed as Santa Claus, distributed presents.

The unique ritual actually resulted from a joke, but it has come to mean much to the miners who tell the story.

Eighteen years ago an evergreen tree fell to the ground near the mine shaft. A prankster dropped it down the opening and it was tossed into the corner. Miron conceived the idea of decorating it and letting the miners have their own annual celebration.

Grows By Action

Human Mind Does Not Develop
Without Constant Use

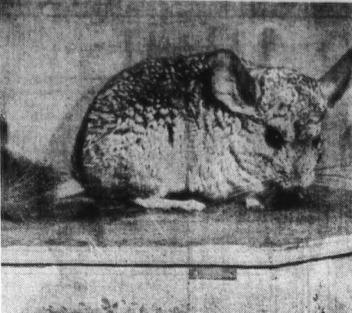
The Creator has so constituted the human intellect, wrote Daniel Webster, that it can only grow by its own action and by its own exertion and necessarily grow. Every man must, therefore, educate himself. His book and teacher are but helpers; the work is his.

A man is not educated until he has the ability to summon, in an emergency, all his mental powers in vigorous exercise to effect its proposed object. It is not the man who has seen most, or read most, who can do this; such a one is in danger of being borne down like a beast of burden, by an overloaded mass of other men's thoughts. Nor can a man be educated until he has native vigor and capacity. The greatest of all warriors in the siege of Troy had not the pre-eminence because nature had given strength and he carried the largest bow, but because self-discipline had taught him how to bend it.

The deepest mine in the world, the Rand gold mine in South Africa's Rand, extends about 9,000 feet into the bowels of the earth, or approximately a mile and three-quarters.

To obtain this pattern send 20 cents in coin (stamps cannot be accepted) to Household Arts Department, Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 175 McDermot Ave. E., Winnipeg.

A REAL CHINCHILLA



The true chinchilla, extinct in a wild state, is now being bred on the Caister Castle Estate, Norfolk, England, by Mr. Fletcher Roberts, who brought his first animals from Chile. Note the peculiar tail of the animal.

Comprehensive Problems

Scientists To Determine How Re-
search Work Effects Well-

Being Of Society

How science affects the well-being of

man is the comprehensive prob-

lem facing a committee of distin-

guished scientists.

The committee was established to

work the division for the social and

international relations of science

formed at the last meeting of the

British Association for the Advance-

ment of Science at Cambridge.

Just to give an idea how compre-

hensive the subject is, the main pur-

pose is the objective study of the

state of advancement of science on

communities and reciprocity in the

effects of social conditions upon the

progress of science; and the encour-

agement of the application of science to

the well-being of society."

Here's the program the committee

has mapped out:

The economic requirements of na-

tions;

The influence of scientific and tech-

nical developments on the relative

importance of different industries and

on the total volume of employ-

ment;

The question of supplementing ex-

isting national research organizations

whether in normal circumstances or

at a time of emergency;

Co-ordination and subsequent pub-

lic presentation of work;

Lines of research in social psychol-

ogy;

Desirability of a consumers' re-

search council;

The technique, use and distribution of

light metals.

Horror Of War

Great Part Played By Women In
Peace Efforts

Women's Role In War

The world's horror of war was in

a great part the result of women's

efforts, Mary Gordon Holmes of Lon-

don, financial chairman of the Inter-

national Federation of Business and

Professional Women, told a group of

Ottawa federation members.

Although women had been criti-

cized as too emotional to handle

world affairs, it was through their

concern for peace that they used

their political suffrage to bring about

peace measures.

The first move made by dictators

was to attack women's organizations

and to send the women to their

huts.

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apartments registered 21 degrees

above zero Fahrenheit.

Democracy Must Cherish Its Right To See The Humorous Side Of Life

Not Built For Comfort

Paris Apartment House Hot In Sum-
mer, Cold In Winter

The war ministry pondered whether it should abandon five modernistic skyscraper apartment houses which were too hot in the summer, leaked in the fall and were so cold in the winter that even sturdy mobile guardrooms could not live in them.

An investigation was started after 700 shivering Parisians reportedly the toughest in France's armories—moved out, declaring that a leviathan a foot long hung from radio taps and that water froze solid in wash basins.

The 15-story apartments were built two years ago, and stand opposite the flying field at Le Bourget. They were to supply cheap housing for workers, but most of the workers moved out last summer because the apartments were too hot. The rest left in the fall when rain poured through the roofs.

The guardians with their families were moved in by the government early this winter. Water pipes froze when the recent cold wave hit Paris. The guardians sent their families out, but held on for a while. They finally decided that they couldn't take it when thermometers inside the other day.

"I just want to pass out feeling that I have done my best," he said. "If a man can die that way there is nothing much more he can do. I propose for the rest of my life to do what is best for mankind."

"Women have done others could do. If they don't will they regret it. They will regret it when they are passing out."

The next day he gave \$31,000 to the Morris Orthopaedic hospital at Oxford, home of the little bicycle repair shop which started him on the road to mass production of automo-

biles.

He will be buried in England.

One concludes that there is no

right a democracy ought to cherish more tenaciously than the right to laugh at anything and anybody it thinks is funny. Mr. Low hints that this right may not be safe in England. One would mourn its loss there, or in France, far more than in Germany. Territories may be lost, spheres of influence may be contracted, the road to India or Tunis may be threatened, but civilization can stand it. It is John Bull's right to be called a joker and is not disgraced as a great man or a great idea. For, appalling as some of the world's "great men" and "great ideas" are, they are also funny.

It is tragic laughter that would ring around the world to-day if all mankind were free to look at its predicament in its proper light. But it would be healing laughter.—New York Times.

Stewardess Preferred

Passengers On Air Liners Like Girls
Better Than Men

Mary Mussen, 27-year-old airline stewardess, was telling us the girls she works with tell her what she should do.

It is interesting to see whether she should slip it in his pocket, put it in the flower pot or stand it up against a water glass. Perhaps he ought really just to leave it on the plate. That is something we shall have to find out.—Peterborough Examiner.

In early days, the weapon hand

was bared and held out as a symbol

of peace. This is said to have been

the origin of handshaking.

It has been estimated that 525,000

children attend London's schools daily.

Advice is easy to get but most of

us can't take it.

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predicament in its proper light.

After King Henry VIII had turned

out the monks he used the house

as a hunting box for sport in the

fields near St. Pancras and Islington. Later it belonged to the Duke of Norfolk. Queen Elizabeth stayed there to prepare for her coronation in 1558.

Every evening at 8 o'clock, even

now, there is a curfew for the

Charterhouse brothers. They are old

men of good family who have fallen

on hard times.

The bell tolls once for each brother.

There are fifty-nine in residence.—London Sunday Express.

"Have you heard of Mrs. Loudspeaker's great misfortune?"

"Heaven! Has she lost her voice?"

"No, her husband has lost his hearing."

Six naval vessels of the United

States have born the name of

"Wasp."

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Man, as the saying goes, is the animal that laughs. The statement is not, of course, quite accurate. The hyena laughs, as do certain birds, and the horse cannot always keep a straight face. However, man is the only animal who cannot live without laughing without laughter. It is laughter that makes the behavior of individuals and the ability of institutions bearable; and we need it because both individuals and institutions are bound to be more or less absurd on occasion.

These reflections are induced by some comments of Mr. David Low, the English cartoonist, published in the official organ of BBC—the British broadcasting agency. "Undoubtedly," says Mr. Low, "there is more that is inherently absurd in the world to-day than ever before, if only because of the greater contrast between man's vastly increased power and his use of it."

The leader who sets himself up as a god for it. "But how does he get it? In countries now most populated by a lower class, where the inflation of fly-blown personalities is most needed, it does not take place. American cartoonists have done wonders with their Italian contemporaries, no matter how much their fingers tickle, dare not distort. Il Duce's small lower maxillary. Where now are those rude artists who in former times helped bring a sense of proportion into the political life of Germany?" Even Mickey Mouse is suspended and Donald Duck would be interested at sight.

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But Dr. F. W. Norwood, formerly

of the City Temple, London, has decided to accept an invitation to

become minister of St. Andrew's Wesley Church, Vancouver—one of

the biggest churches in Canada. "Yes, I am over 60," Dr. Norwood said from the depths of an armchair where he was waiting to discuss his decision with members of the National Free Church Council at its London headquarters. "Striking out at 60, life is like that, you know. I hope I shall be striking out on new ventures when I am 89. I am in perfect health. That is the great thing. I am capable of just as much hard work as ever I was. My friends may think I look a little older than I did—but I don't feel it." Dr. Norwood will take up his appointment next October.—Overseas Daily Mail.

In China, farmers rig their boats with white varnished boards, which slope into the water. On moonlight nights, fish mistake the board for water, dash upon it, and skid into the boat.

The longest railway platform in

England is said to be the Victoria

and Exchange station platform in

Manchester, which is 2,194 feet in

length.

Six days after coming from the

egg the honey bee is 1,500 times as

heavy as when it emerged.

The man who gives in when he is

wrong is wise, but the man who gives

in when he is right is married.

WORLD HAPPENINGS
BRIEFLY TOLD

Keels will be laid soon for three minclayers to be built under the British 1888 naval construction program.

The executive committee of the World Jewish congress accused the government of the free city of Danzig of organizing a pogrom to drive Jews out of the Nazified free city.

Effective Dec. 28 the fixed value for duty on celery imported into the Canadian group was the first Dominion exhibit to be honored with a place in the Tate Gallery. It drew a greater attendance than any recent exhibition there and the closing date had to be extended twice. The show will close this month.

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Was Pronounced Success

Closing Date for Canada's Art Show In London Extended Twice

Canada's art show—"Century of Canadian Art"—at London's famed Tate Gallery, has been a pronounced success, H. C. McCurry of Ottawa, assistant director of the National Gallery of Canada, said at Halifax. The exhibition includes canvases painted in every province in the last 100 years.

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Home Packed With Goods

Death Of Recluse Reveals Clothing And Furniture Never Unpacked

The executors of Edgar A. Bogart's estate, after weeks of hard work still don't know the full value of the property left by the 75-year-old retired bank employee of Newmarket, Ont., who lived the life of a recluse. When the executors entered death-gar's home after his recent death, they found the house packed with furniture, coins, works, china, clothing, newspapers and other odds collected over a period of years. A staff of men has been attempting to catalogue the assorted objects for weeks.

Each room in the house, which no one but Bogart had entered in the 10 years prior to his death, was piled with his belongings to such an extent that only narrow passages from door to door were left open. Hundreds of dollars worth of furniture and clothing, bought years ago and never unwrapped or uncircled, was strewn through the house.

A VERSATILE BOLERO FROCK

By Anne Adams



Magnet for all eyes is this bolero dress, so becoming to all figures from "fourteens to forty-two!" Your spirits will soar the moment you're in it. And as soon as you see the Sewing Instructions of Pattern 4932, for the making in very, very little time, you'll have all occasion to flock to tides you over right into spring. Let the bolero match or contrast—have the neckline high or low, buttons and flowers or lace for trim—have an all-around or half-belt . . . any way you make it, it need "magnet" to attract. Don't mind the action pleat in the skirt, and the gay upcurve of the waist!

Pattern 4932 is available in misses' sizes 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 40 and 42. Size 16 dress, takes 3 1/2 yards 39 inch fabric.

Send twenty cents in postage (stamps to be accounted for) to Anne Adams, Dept. D, Dept. 1, Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 176 McDermot Ave. E. Winnipeg.

R.C.M.P. Band

Leader Hopes To Develop The Best Band In Canada

To the veteran strutting around Royal Canadian Mounted Police barracks square at Regina, stirring notes drifting on the frosty air brings memories of the police band of long ago, when all the band and the band leader was not a band in the band. This is not a band in the band that to-day is carrying on where the R.N.W.M.P. left off about 30 years ago. Only six of the 34 players are over 20 years.

Staff Sergeant J. T. Brown, former director of music in The Governor-General's Foot Guards, Ottawa, affectionately calls his players "My boys" but in them he sees splendid talent that he hopes will develop into the best band in Canada.

In gathering "his boys" in a re-erupting trip across Canada recently, that was not lack of musical talent that gave most difficulty but strict regulations which govern recruits and which are applied to the band.

On a basis of 50-50 representation between the Eastern and Western part of the Dominion, a band was chosen which virtually represents the pick of the country's younger musicians for the first R.C.M.P. band in 30 years.

The bandmen to-day are receiving regular police training in addition to three hours at practice.

The Newest Discovery

Noted Woman Scientist Finds Coating That Makes Glass Invisible

Discovery of a coating that makes glass invisible was announced at Schenectady, N.Y., by Dr. Katherine B. Blodgett, noted woman scientist.

Ordinary thicknesses become clear as air and reveal how much human eyes have been missing in looking through even the finest glass. Purest glass transmits about 92 per cent. of light against more than 99 with the new coating. A coated pane is visible only by its dimly outlined edges.

The glass never reflects light from any angle whatever.

Going Back Empty

Return Of Steel Bottles Means Germany Gets No Helium

Germany has recalled 200 empty steel bottles—the Nazis had hoped would come home filled with helium, the non-inflammable gas which powers their Hitlerbomber. The bottles sailed for Germany aboard the Nazi freighter *Idarowald*. The incident was considered definite indication the United States had decided not to sell Germany helium for her commercial lighter-than-air craft.

Pearls sometimes are found floating in the milk of coconuts.

Twice as many men as women wear spectacles.

CANADA'S NATIONAL GAME



The British Consols Trophy presented to the Saskatchewan Curling Association for annual competition. British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba and the Eastern Provinces also have suitable trophies from British Consols.

"The Roarin' Game"

Curling Is The Great Winter Sport Of The West

Curling has been rightly called "Western Canada's National game" but not merely a winter "National game" limited by its seasonal restrictions, because it has grown far beyond that stage. It now occupies a prominent place in the sports of the Prairie Provinces particularly that puts it on a par with the game of golf.

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carried to its successful conclusion during the years of its competition as measured by observers as the finest indication of what curling really stands for.

The tenth rink necessary to balance the schedule for the national games comes from Northern Ontario, which has been regarded from the curling status as separate from the remainder of that province.

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But who say "yo" that I am?" Jesus next asked. And Peter answered for the group, answering instantly and with an answer so simple, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God."

Jesus High Commissioner of Peter 1:16-17. "Peter's answer

thrilled our Master to the depths. He was understood." "Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-Jonah (son of John); for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father who is in heaven."

"It was a great critical moment in our careers at which his spirit was doubtful in a high tension. The

whole of his spirit would give him a thrill of satisfaction, domination, and triumph.

That was the moment when Peter is characteristic—warm, generous, unblushing."

"I give unto thee the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. Not the keys of the church, but of the Kingdom and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Here again Catholics and Protestants understand these words differently.

And the words literally

and declare that Jesus here gave Peter (and his successors) power to forgive sins. And the interpretation of the words in the light of other scriptural words and in accordance with their common use at that time.

Jesus' Strong Confirmation of Peter 1:21-23. Before this time Jesus had referred to his coming death (Matt. 16:15; John 2:18-22; 3:14) and he had spoken

of his declaration that he must go to Jerusalem, there to be ill-treated by the elders and chief priests and scribes and to put to death, and the

whole thing was fulfilled.

To Peter Jesus' words seemed a contradiction of his claim to Messiahship, and he took Jesus' words to heart.

"If it be so, then let us go up into the

mountains, and I will pray thee."

He was placed in a part of the

mountains where he was alone.

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Council Meetings
 The council of the village of Crossfield will meet in the Fire Hall on the first Monday of each month at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.
 By Order of the Village Council, T. Tredaway, Sec.-Treas

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Church Notices

Church of the Ascension (ANGLICAN)

Rev. A. D. CURRIE, Rector.
 January 15th, 1939

2nd Sunday after Epiphany
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Matins

12:00 noon. Bible Class

Monday January 16th

Annual meeting of the Parish in the Fire Hall, at 8:00 p.m.

United Church Services

Rev. S. R. HUNT, B.A., B.D., Minister
 Sunday, January 15th, 1939

11:15 a.m. Sunday School

11:30 a.m. Madden

7:30 Crossfield

"Perhaps our acutest trouble in our refusal to realize how hard it is to be a Christian. We are always asking for crowns and chief seats in the Kingdom, without a thought of the crusade that com first." - H. R. L. Sheppard

Crossfield Baptist Church

Rev. J. H. PICKFORD, B.Th. Minister
 Regular Sunday Service
 11:00 a.m. Morning Service
 12:00 noon Sunday School
 8:00 p.m. Evening Service
 Services at Abernethy 3:00 p.m.

COOPER BROTHERS
Announcing

The building of a new private chapel at their

Foster Funeral Home
 320 - 12th Ave. W. Calgary

Residents of Crossfield and district please accept this cordial invitation to see the new Chapel on or after December 10.

TURKEY'S

Make sure that you know the MARKET PRICE of your turkeys by receiving our free price list during the turkey marketing season in December. Send us a card with your name and address NOW to go on our list.

INDSOR'S
 PRODUCE PACKERS
 601-11th Ave. West, Calgary

Local and General.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Spivey were Calgary visitors Friday.

The United Church Sunday School tea will be held at the Manse Tuesday, February 14th.

Norman Patmore spent the New Year holidays at the home of his uncle, E. Bills.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Konschuh, Crossfield, on January 5th, a daughter.

The Women's Guild Valentine tea will be held at the home of Mrs. D. H. MacFadyen on Tuesday, February 14th.

The United Church Young People's Society will hold a meeting at the home of Anne Cameron, Monday next, January 16th.

Miss Edith Haslem, of Clarendon, and Mr. Victor Leng, of Calgary, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred High during the holidays.

A meeting of all those interested in the formation of an Anglican Young People's association will be held at the Rectory on Friday evening at 8:00 p.m.

Messrs. E. W. Hoover and M. Patmore took in the hockey game of the Olds Elks and Calgary Stampers, at Olds, Monday evening.

Messrs. E. Meyers, S. Reid, W. McLeod and J. Ryan are erecting a house for Mr. and Mrs. J. Ryan. The Atlas Lumber Yard is furnishing the material.

Mrs. Dick Patmore, Norman, Doris and Raymond visited at the home of Mrs. Patmore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Mallock, Airdrie, last week.

The following Crossfieldites attended the hockey game at Calgary, between the Olds Elks and the Calgary Stampers: Mr. and Mrs. L. Ableman, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Eason, E. Bills, O. Bills, J. Scholfield, C. H. McMillan, D. W. Carmichael, G. J. Dawson, R. T. Amer, Frank Moen, Chas Mayman, Dick Nickols. The score was 7-4 for Calgary.

Mrs. Currie and her daughter, Violet, entertained on behalf of Mrs. Currie's niece, Miss Winnie Cartwright, of Calgary. About 25 girls were guests for the evening.

The time was spent in games and dancing. Supper was served, cafeteria-style, about 10:30 p.m. They all expressed their appreciation of a most enjoyable time. Miss Cartwright left for her home in Calgary the following morning.

Letters to the Editor

As an act of courtesy, "Letters to the Editor" are published, but the Chronicle cannot be held responsible for the opinions expressed.

(continued from last week)

Crossfield Alta., Jan. 2, 1939.

The Editor,
 Crossfield Chronicle,
 Crossfield.

Dear Mr. Editor:

Had it not been for a fire the main business block of the Village would possibly be the same group of unsightly buildings it originally was. Of course that is no reason for not having proper fire protection, but it does indicate that fire alone cannot destroy Crossfield, and that the Monument would not be left as lonely as your editorial suggests.

I believe it is the intention of the committee in charge to have the Memorial erected during the early summer, provided of course, the necessary funds are at hand. Possibly, by that time, the Village Fathers will have provided Chief Baker and his crew with the equipment you suggest.

I am not writing this as an official, only as a member of the Legion, but I can assure you that the boys represent the good work your paper has done for the Memorial Fund, and trust that you will continue to support it.

Yours truly,
 Allen Montgomery

High School Hockey League Schedule

The following is the schedule of the Rosebud Inter High School League hockey:

Friday, January 13th.

Bowden at Crossfield

Didsbury at Olds

Carstairs at Innisfail

Tuesday, January 17th.

Didsbury at Crossfield

Olds at Carstairs

Innisfail at Bowden

Friday, January 20th.

Crossfield at Olds

Carstairs at Bowden

Innisfail at Didsbury

Tuesday, January 24th.

Carstairs at Crossfield

Bowden at Didsbury

Olds at Innisfail

Friday, January 27th.

Olds at Crossfield

Innisfail at Carstairs

Didsbury at Bowden

Tuesday, January 31st.

Crossfield at Carstairs

Didsbury at Innisfail

Olds at Bowden

Friday, February 3rd.

Crossfield at Innisfail

Carstairs at Didsbury

Bowden at Olds

These games are played at 8:00 p.m., unless otherwise arranged.

Christmas Exams.

ROOM 1.

In this report the meaning of the ratings is as follows:

A—Superior
 B—Better than average
 C—Average
 D—Barely passing
 F—Failure

GRADE 1.

Aileen Berge
 Billy Neilson
 Mickey Huston
 Jerry Jones
 Gordon Snyder
 Ethel Devins

Beryl Patmore
 Raymond Lee
 Johnny Wood
 Shirley Fluke

Cornelius Taks
 Bobby Gilson
 Vernon Becker

GRADE 2.

Gerald Hurt
 Lois Gilchrist
 Stanley Lim
 Shirley Mae Reeves

Clara Witke
 Bruce Wood
 Howard High
 Audrey Devins

Donald McCaskill
 Enid Lind

GRADE 3.

Lorne Patmore
 Isobel Hopper
 Raymond Patmore

Harold High

Patsy Stevens

Alice Huston

John Berge

Mervin Lind

Teacher FANNY GOUGH

The World of Wheat

By H. G. L. Strange

We are now realizing that foreign countries seem unable to buy as much Canadian wheat as we are producing for sale.

For some time I have steadfastly advocated the lowering of Canadian tariffs so as to enable foreign people to sell more of their own goods in Canada, which in turn would enable them to obtain more Canadian dollars with which to buy more of our wheat.

Some, however, have told me they fear that countries such as Germany would not buy more Canadian wheat even though Canada were to purchase more German goods. For my part I think such fears are groundless. Canada has a Trade Agreement with Germany, signed at Ottawa on August 22nd, 1936, by which Germany definitely agrees to purchase Canadian goods and products with all the Canadian money she receives as the result of selling German goods in Canada. Furthermore, Germany agreed to buy wheat alone with at least 35% of the Canadian dollars she receives in Inquiries that I have made in

Madden Murmurs

From Our Own Correspondent

Miss Dorothy Ingham returned to Calgary on Saturday.

Mr. Melvin Farquharson is holidaying with relatives in Edmonton.

Friends of Tom Swanby will be glad to hear that he is out of the hospital and at home again.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Havens, Miss D. Butler and Mrs. H. Walsh were Calgary visitors on Tuesday.

Friends of Mr. Ed Corkill will be sorry to hear that he has broken his ankle and is now in the Calgary Hospital.

The Misses Evelyn, Hazel and Eugene Havens spent the weekend at their respective homes.

Bituma News.

Almer Merser was arrested on January 5th by Corporal Cameron and tried before Magistrate Gordon, Crossfield, and fined \$1.00 and costs for assault on Ernest Featherstone.

We understand the dispute arose over wages. Featherstone lost a tooth and Merser lost his wages.

—Correspondent

Plan Big Highway Program for 1939

Alberta to experience the greatest amount of road progress this year ever seen in the history of this province, according to a recent statement by Hon. W. A. Fallow, minister of public works.

While the annual expenditures of this department will not be known until passed by the provincial legislature at the session which opens on February 9, it is believed that there will be large votes for road improvements this year.

The department is pressing ahead with its "black top" or hard surfacing of main highways and plans to complete an extensive mileage this year. This programme will include surfacing of the 65-mile stretch between Red Deer and Crossfield, which was reconstructed last year at an estimated cost of \$350,000. When this link is completed, there will be an hard-surfaced main road from Edmonton to the international boundary. This year's program also is to include surfacing of the Jasper highway, on which reconstruction was begun in the fall of 1938.

Officials of the Alberta Motor Association have been assured by the Minister of Public Works that it is his firm intention to undertake extensive road work this year.

In addition, the province is negotiating with Ottawa over a joint scheme to build a winter road from Fort Vermilion to Hay River on Great Slave Lake, at an estimated cost of \$200,000, to serve the Yellowknife mining field.

The management of this particular group of farms believes that land prices are due to go higher.

It believes also that they should.

"Land prices have been either declining or stationary for the past eight years," it states. "An upturn should not be far off. The supply of farm land cannot be increased without involving considerable

Ottawa confirms the fact that Germany has lived scrupulously up to this agreement.

It seems certain, therefore, that as more German goods are admitted into Canada, so automatically will more Canadian wheat be exported to Germany. And the same principle, I believe, will apply to many other foreign countries too.

time and cost. Meanwhile, farming conditions are growing better and the pressure of population is becoming greater in this country.

Sometimes in the future we shall probably look back and see that the land prices of the present represent a bargain."

And we are looking back, Mid-West or Canada. West it is much the same. Who would pay prophet? "A large group of foreclosed farms," before the great depression, but at profitable figures, need we wonder what happened to the "lucky" purchasers

—S—

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